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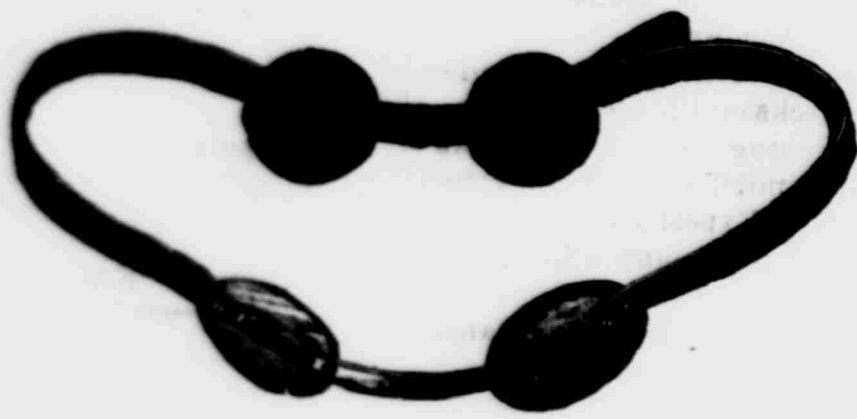
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MOTTO: THIS PAPER WILL NOT FAWN AT THE FEET OF THE MAN WHO HAS SUDDENLY AND WITHOUT MERIT REACHED THE TOP OF THE HILL; NOR WILL IT KICK THE MAN WHO IS GOING DOWN IT.

The party who borrowed from this office volume six of Chambers' Encyclopedia will please return same as the loss of it breaks the set.

Albert Miller is visiting in Tampa.

Mr. E. C. Smith has gone to Chicago on business.

Miss Sallie Bell is visiting friends in Brooksville.

Mrs. Thomas H. Wallis and children are visiting relatives in Atlanta.

Mrs. Templeton and Mrs. Davis, of North Carolina, are visiting Miss Leila Barnes.

Henry Stevens, of High Springs, spent last Sunday and Monday in Ocala with his parents.

Mr. J. W. Sylvester and family have moved into the Gus Liddon residence in the second ward.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Handelman, who has been so ill, is, we are glad to say, recovering.

Mrs. J. M. Jackson and children, of Miami, are the guests of Mrs. Jackson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Barco.

M. Handelman leaves next week for New York to purchase a stock of fall and winter goods for the Boston Store.

A. G. Gates and family have gone to Mr. Gates' old home in Shamrock, N. I., where they will visit for six weeks.

Ernest J. Crook has returned from his visit to the Pan-American Exposition. He had a delightful trip and was thoroughly pleased with the exposition.

Mrs. J. P. Hilburn and little son, Oscar, are visiting the Pan-American Exposition. They will also visit relatives in Philadelphia before returning to Florida.

Mrs. W. A. Hocker and daughter, Miss Alice Hocker, have returned from the mountains, near Chattanooga, where they have been visiting for a number of weeks.

If you want canaries pure buy of Mrs. J. F. Williamson. Males, \$2.50, females, \$1.50, or \$3.50 per pair. I have between 75 and 100 for sale. 8-30-1m.

Mr. T. B. Snyder has gone to New York where he will purchase a stock of gents' furnishing goods for his new establishment, which will shortly be opened in the store now occupied by Mr. J. M. Neely.

Tom C. Thompson, of this city, who is attending the Medical University of Kentucky, has been offered a position of teaching a class in anatomy. This is quite an honor and one that we are sure is deserved by Mr. Thompson.

A. R. Bass, of Morgantown, Ind., had to get up ten or twelve times in the night and had severe backache and pains in the kidneys. Was cured by Foley's Kidney cure. It's guaranteed. Anti-Monopoly Drug Store. m

The following young men left Ocala this week to resume their studies at the various colleges: Harry C. Dozier, to the University of Pennsylvania; John F. Dunn, to the Boston Technical Institute, and Benjie Weathers, to Amherst College, Mass. They will first pay a visit to the Pan-American Exposition.

Mrs. S. L. Patterson, of Miami, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Barco.

Miss Lizzie Edwards is home again after a most enjoyable trip to Mrs. Jno. W. Pearson and Miss Pearl Pearson, at Harrisonville, Mo.

Mrs. W. K. McDonald and children, who went to Atlanta two months ago for the purpose of having the little girl's eyes treated by Dr. Calhoun, returned home Sunday morning, the baby's eyes being almost entirely recovered. They will remain about a month, then they will return to Atlanta, where in future they will reside.

"My baby was terribly sick with the diarrhoea," says J. H. Doak, of Williams, Oregon. "We were unable to cure him with the doctor's assistance, as a last resort we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I am happy to say it gave immediate relief and a complete cure. For sale by Anti-Monopoly Drug Store. m

Arrangements are now being perfected to have a tournament of the different gun clubs of the state to meet in Ocala at some future time. It is proposed to pick five out of each club, and we understand that Clarence and Jack Camp, Hugh Morrow, W. A. Morse and J. M. Dell will be the ones that will go from this place to represent the Gainesville club at the shoot. The railroads have given a reduced rate of one fare for the round trip and it is anticipated that a very large number of the citizens will go down as well as a good many members of the club. —Gainesville Sun.

OCALA AND SILVER SPRING.

The Mecca and the Medina of Florida
—Facts, Fiction and a Legend.

The true Hadji performs his pilgrimage from Mecca to Medina on foot. It is done first to comply with the laws enjoined by the Koran; second to enjoy the beauty of the country gone over in a higher degree than it would be possible if traveled by any other mode of locomotion.

If Bayard Taylor had traveled over Europe by rail instead of on foot the world would have been deprived of the beautiful descriptions of so much that he saw in his book entitled: "Views A-Foot."

A Mecca cannot be without its Medina. Without the Hadjirah Mohammed never would have succeeded in establishing his religion.

By every consideration of location, elevation, picturesqueness, beauty of surroundings, medieval forests and scenic attractions generally, Ocala is, and of right is entitled to be, the Mecca of Florida.

Likewise, the charming valley of Silver Springs is, and of right is entitled to be, its Medina. It possesses the purest element for the ablution of the true believer and the Giau.

The valley of the Silver Spring is as fertile as the valley of the Nile, and abounds in almost unbroken forests of sublime grandeur and beauty.

The basin of the spring is about five acres in extent, and the depth varies from forty to sixty feet and through clefts in the rocks there bubbles to the surface the clearest and most transparent water on the globe. In some places it comes up with such force as to resemble an inverted cataract.

The water of Silver Springs is in reality more transparent than the air, objects may be seen at a greater distance, and like a prism reflects all the colors of the rainbow.

The tiniest scale on the tiniest fish at the bottom is visible to the naked eye and his every movement is distinctly seen at the depth of sixty feet. The excursionists who float in a boat upon this limpid sheet of water enjoy a bird's-eye view of an aquatic world. He sees hills and dales, covered with variegated colors of rich vegetation of sweet water plants, and interspersed with the fanciful groups of white rocks, amongst which the jets

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of water send that pure element to the surface of the basin like a turbulent fountain and mirrors a picture on the eye to which the celebrated blue grotto at Capri, in the cliffs of the Mediterranean, is not at all comparable.

The inhabitants of the watery world can be watched with minuteness in their search and chase for food, in their state of rest, and in their sportive plays.

Trout, perch, turtles, and other fish, sometimes including even the mild-eyed alligator, pass before the vision of the observer like the moving pictures in the phantasmagoria of a dream.

The surroundings of this wonderful beauty spot is still as nature left it and we today, say as DeSoto did when he first beheld it: "Here is a picture of paradise; who drinks or bathes in these waters shall be blessed with perpetual youth."

For almost a century the Spaniards were indefatigable in search for the "Fountain of Youth" and when the intrepid DeSoto pitched his tent beside the translucent waters of Silver Spring we can hear him joyfully exclaiming, "Eureka!"—"I have found it!"

Silver Springs sends forth a deep stream of water sixty to one hundred feet wide, and runs for a distance of nine miles when it finally empties into the Ocklawaha river, but for a distance of some miles the waters do not intermingle, and the bright, pearly waters of the one present a beautiful

contrast to the dark, muddy waters of the other, and finally the weaker yields and the two intermingle and become as one, which inspired a Marion county poet to indite the following classic:

Far south, 'mid gloom and shadows of the cypress woods,
Was Ocklawaha born;
The swamp his sombre mother, whose dark solitudes
He early left, and in his childish moods
Kept playing on.
A boy, he lingered with the bonnet covered lakes,
Where sunshine loves to dwell;
And learned to hunt the wild duck in the marshy brakes.
Or catch the timid deer, which panting slakes
His thirst in shady dell.

His youth was spent thus far in gathering strength and power
From limpid lakes and springs.
Till manhood dawned on him, brought the auspicious hour
To leave his sylvan haunts, each leafy bower.
And youth-like dalliings.

There was a beautiful maiden, lovely and most fair,
A maiden called Silver Spring;
Nurtured in beauty, cherished with unwonted care,
And none could claim her equal—none compare—
But all her praise would sing.

Once straying from her flower embosomed, fragrant home,
Her Ocklawaha met,
Enamored of her beauty, he but murmured,
"Come,
For thee hast destiny caused me to roam,
Lonely and sad till yet."

Then bright, sweetly smiled she, yielding all her charms
Unto the hunter bold,
And threw herself all pure into his outstretched arms,
And onward passed they midst storms and calms
With ecstasies untold.

Then in the honeymoon of this unmeasured bliss,
They wandered here and there;
Although regardless of their footsteps turned amiss,
Meandering first in that way, then in this,
Within the forest fair.

Now travelers, tracing Ocklawaha's crooked way,
Oft wonder why 'tis so.
It is the loving path, were wandering day by day,
The warrior with his lovely bride did stray,
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